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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Jeff Schulz

Application No.: 09/686,768

Group No.: 2665

Filed: 10/11/2000

Examiner: Man U. Phan

For: DUAL OPTIMALITY FOR DIFFERENT DATA RATE BACKPLANE TRANSFERS

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

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EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

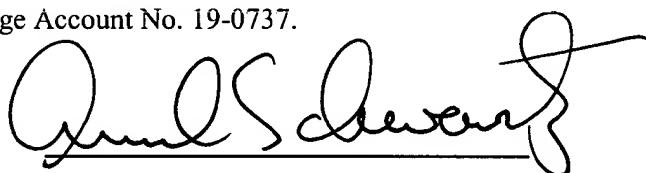
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INDEP.	2	- 3 = 0 x \$ 86.00	= \$ 0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM +		\$ 0.00	= \$ 0.00
		TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	\$ 0.00

No additional fee for claims is required.

FEE DEFICIENCY

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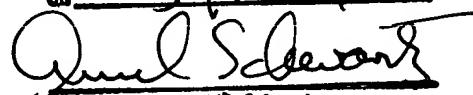
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated February 17, 2004, please enter the
following amendments to the above-identified application as follows.